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SUBJECT: MISSTATEMENT ON SPRATLYS

1. IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE RECORD STRAIGHT, WE WOULD LIKE TO CORRECT A STORY WHICH APPEARED IN THE SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST ON OCTOBER 21 CONCERNING THE DRV CLAIMS TO THE SPRATLY ISLANDS. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, AN AMERICAN PROFESSOR STATED PUBLICLY THAT HANOI HAS DROPPED ITS CLAIMS TO THE SPRATLYS IN GRATITUDE FOR THE AID WHICH CHINA HAD GIVEN TO NORTH VIET NAM. THE STATEMENT WAS MADE BY AN AMERICAN HISTORIAN, PROFESSOR HO PING-TI, DURING A LUNCHEON AT THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB IN HONG KONG ON OCTOBER 20. THE PROFESSOR, SOMEWHAT EMBARRASSED, SUBSEQUENTLY ADMITTED TO A CONGEN OFFICER THAT HE BECAME CONFUSED DURING THE LONG QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD AND THAT THE STATEMENT WAS IN ERROR.

2. IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE WHAT REACTION, IF
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